House Resolution No. 4446

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in tremendous esteem those young Show-Me State residents who have bettered themselves and their communities through the challenges and opportunities available to them in the Boy Scouts of America program; and

Whereas, Andrew Lee Russell of Troop 52 entered Scouting five years ago, since which time he has continued on his illustrious sojourn by completing all of the requirements for the Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life ranks; and

Whereas, Andrew has diligently served his Troop in such important leadership posts as Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, and Instructor; and

Whereas, Andrew is the holder of a Totin's Chip, the Mile Swim patch, a World Conservation award, BSA Lifeguard qualification, and the Historic Trails award and is a participant in Thunderbird and Hohn summer camps, Cupboard Creek camporees, a trip to the USS Yorktown in South Carolina, the Silver Bars National Youth Leadership Training Camp, a spring camporee, and Boonslick District Emergency Preparedness; and

Whereas, in addition to fulfilling the requirements for thirty-two Merit Badges, Andrew followed through with the Scouting tradition of completing an Eagle Project that consisted of building a twenty-foot backstop at the Grace Bible Church baseball field, improving drainage at the location by incorporating sand into the infield, and installing bases, the home plate, and a pitching rubber; and

Whereas, Andrew has now fulfilled all of the requirements for Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout, and will receive his well-deserved Eagle Medallion at a Court of Honor on October 25, 2008, at the Grace Bible Church; and

Whereas, Andrew is the beloved son of Bradford and Ann Russell of Columbia, Missouri, who have truly encouraged and supported his diverse activities with the Boy Scouts of America program:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Eagle Scout Andrew Russell and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes upon joining the highly select group of Boy Scouts who attain Scouting's highest achievement award; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to new Eagle Scout Andrew Lee Russell.

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4446, adopted October 22, 2008.